

11 October 2018



Hi everyone and welcome to *The Week Ahead*.

This week we are marking [Prisons Week](#) and the [Week of Prayer for World Peace](#).

Andy Jackson will be staffing the out-of-hours media emergency support line on 020 7467 5170.

Wishing you all a wonderful week,  
[Rosie Winn and Mike Ivatt](#)  
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## Indonesia appeal

All We Can and The Methodist Church in Britain have launched an [urgent appeal](#) for the people of Indonesia following the destruction caused by the earthquake and tsunami on Sulawesi.



## 75 years of MHA

MHA is marking its 75th anniversary of providing care, support and accommodation to older people with a Service of Thanksgiving at Derby Cathedral on Saturday 13 October, 3pm. Book your free [ticket here](#).



## Thy Kingdom Come

Thousands of churches across the UK took part in *Thy Kingdom Come* this year. [Read some of the case studies](#) of churches that were involved and tips on how rural churches can be involved in the future.



## 1000 Letters

Write a letter to the young people attending 3Generate and encourage them to be courageous in their faith by [sharing your own faith story](#). The letters will help children and young people feel connected to, and part of, the wider body of the Methodist Church.



## Lift the ban

Throughout October, Refugee Action is campaigning to lift the ban preventing those seeking asylum from working. Join the campaign [here](#).



## Wesley House theology courses

Four new [MA degrees in theology](#) have been announced at Wesley House, Cambridge. Designed to be flexible, ecumenical and global, these degrees are being taught through distance learning, intensive courses and classrooms. Apply now for a January 2019 or September 2019 start.



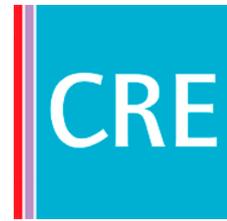
## Centenary lecture

The case for overseas aid and development being in the long-term British interest will be discussed at [Wesley Methodist Church](#), Cambridge. Matthew Rycroft, Permanent Secretary, Department for International Development, will be [giving a lecture](#) on Monday 22 October, 7.45pm; admission is free.



## Tickets for CRE 2018

The next Christian Resources Exhibition takes place next week from 16-18 October at Sandown Park, Surrey. Click [here](#) and enter the code METH18 to save £5 on the day-of-admission ticket price.



## On the radio

### [The Bottom Line](#)

**Thursday 11 October**

**BBC Radio 4, 8.30pm**

Civil engineers Mike Glover, Louise Hardy and Katy Toms join Evan Davis to explore the engineering and economic intricacies of building a bridge.

### [Sunday Worship](#)

**Sunday 14 October**

**BBC Radio 4, 8.10am**

A Mass to celebrate the canonisation of Oscar Romero, former Archbishop of San Salvador, led by the Bishop of Leeds, the Rt. Revd Marcus Stock.

### [Private Passions](#)

**Sunday 14 October**

**BBC Radio 3, 12.00pm**

*Big Issue* founder Lord John Bird talks to Michael Berkeley about the role music played in transforming his life. John is passionate about making classical music accessible to all and breaking down notions of elitism in music.



## On TV

### [Last Chance Lawyer New York City](#)

**Thursday 11 October**

**BBC Two, 11.15pm**

Documentary following the exploits of criminal lawyer Howard Greenberg who wages 'war' against the US government from his office in Brooklyn.

### [A House Through Time](#)

**Saturday 13 October**

**BBC Two, 8.00pm**

The story of those who lived in one house, from the time it was built until now. David Olusoga follows the residents of the house in Liverpool from the 1850s to the 1890s.

### [Black Hollywood:](#)

#### ['They've Gotta Have Us'](#)

**Saturday 13 October**

**BBC Two, 9.00pm**

Featuring conversations with contributors including film veterans Harry Belafonte, Earl Cameron and Diahann Carroll discussing what it was like to be pioneers in a white majority movie world.

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## Video Thursday: Life in 6 words

In this week's [film](#), Jason 'Propaganda' Petty, a rap artist, reflects on 'Life in 6 words' that spell G.O.S.P.E.L.



## Reflections



In the coming week, the 2018/2019 Methodist Prayer Handbook, *A World*

*Transformed*, encourages us to pray with Christians in the Caribbean and Americas, Middle East and Indian Subcontinent, as well as Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's [A Word in Time Bible studies](#) is 'A Kingdom Revealed'. [Order](#)

[your Prayer Handbook here](#).

## Parliament



You can find the UK parliamentary business online [here](#). If you want to find out about the Scottish Parliamentary calendar, [click](#)

[here](#) and the timetable for the National Assembly for Wales, [click here](#).

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***The Week Ahead*** is a regular mailing that gives you a heads-up on forthcoming events and opportunities, as well as highlighting new information and resources across the Methodist Church. We cannot know about everything that's going on, so please [do email us](#) if you have any feedback or ideas for items to include.

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